

# ONE LIFE LOST AT FERCE FIRE

Blaze in the Kingsbridge Section  
Demolishes Twenty Buildings  
and Renders Hundreds of  
People Homeless.

## HARD FIGHT TO CONQUER THE FLAMES.

Volunteers Powerless—Many  
Are Injured During the Con-  
flagration and One Fireman  
Dies of Exhaustion.

Hundreds are homeless to-day, one fire-  
man is dead and a score or more are  
suffering from injuries as the result of a  
fire that wiped out a large section of  
Kingsbridge.

Twenty buildings, including stores and  
dwelling, which sheltered about thirty  
families, were totally destroyed, and 150  
men, women and children, clad mostly  
in their light night robes, were turned  
homeless out into the cold morning air.

The damage cannot be fully estimated  
at present, but it is thought that the amount  
will exceed \$50,000, most of the loss  
falling on the Dyckman estate, which  
owned the greater part of the property  
destroyed.

The buildings destroyed were on both  
sides of Riverdale avenue in the blocks  
bounded by Church and Ackerman  
streets. The fire started in the food and  
coal store of T. & W. Thorn, at River-  
dale avenue near Ackerman street. The  
cause is unknown, but it is thought that  
rotten candle balls shot off while a po-  
litical parade was passing last night  
may have set fire to some of the hay  
stored near the building.

### Wind Is Strong.

The houses in the vicinity were mostly  
frame, and a strong westerly wind was  
blowing at the time. At the time the  
fire broke out the Kingsbridge Cadets  
were drilling in the hall attached to St.  
John's Roman Catholic Church and the  
members of the Hiawatha Canoe Club  
were holding a dance in their clubhouse  
at Hiawatha Bay, an inlet of Spuyten  
Duyf Creek.

The volunteer fire department could  
make no headway against the fire and a  
third alarm was turned in. Chief  
Purvis, who was at Great Jones street  
when the third alarm turned in, drove  
at once to Kingsbridge and took charge.  
Under his direction more than a quarter  
of mile of hose was laid and the men  
directed their efforts toward checking  
the advance of the flames.

Nothing could be done to save the  
houses that had already caught fire.

The houses and buildings destroyed in-  
cluded the Riverdale Hotel, owned by  
George Lieber, a boarding-house, owned  
by Mrs. M. E. Zilber, a saloon, owned by  
plumber shop, Louis Zilber's bakery,  
Frederick Witte's grocery store, P.  
Maigne's blacksmith shop, Croak &  
Shuffel's plumbing shop, John J.  
Buchauer's barber shop, M. Polinsky's  
harness store, Jacob H. Conklin's gro-  
cery store, William Gerity's toy store,  
Henry Berrian's carpenter shop, the  
office of Charles J. Acker, the residence  
of Hugh McCaully, a fireman, the  
Kingsbridge Public Library, St. John's  
Roman Catholic Church was slightly  
burned and the roof of the Church of  
the Mediator was burned.

John J. Sullivan, thirty-five years old, a  
freight and express company No. 62, liv-  
ing at One Hundred and Eighty-third  
street and Washington avenue, was re-  
leased at 5 o'clock, his burning shirt and  
dress and first shirt and sat down on a  
bank at the roadside to wait for the car.  
He was found there dead a half hour  
later.

Richard Lempebeck, twenty-nine years  
old, a fireman, living at No. 75, had his  
right hand badly cut by broken glass and  
was taken to the  
Fordham Hospital.

Richard Griffin, nineteen years old, an  
electrician, while fighting the flames, was  
knocked off his horse, slipped and fell  
to the ground. He injured his back and  
head, but will recover.

George Dooley, a member of the  
Kingsbridge Cadets, was badly burned  
about the face and while helping  
to get a number of horses out of  
the stable back of Thorne & Company's  
place, where the fire broke out.

Several policemen who were helping  
him find his clothes slightly burned.  
A large number of persons were slightly  
cut and injured by broken glass and  
flying debris.

Mrs. George H. Moeller, who lives  
near the scene of the fire and who is a  
member of the famous sugar family,  
threw her household goods and clothes  
and furniture and the firemen and  
others who were fighting the flames with  
her.

### HOME COMERS ON THE LAHN.

Deputation Sent to Africa by  
Board of Missions Returns.

The steamship Lahn, which arrived  
to-day from Naples and Genoa, brought  
Rev. E. E. Strong, D.D., of Boston, edi-  
torial secretary of the American Board  
of Foreign Missions, and Rev. Sydney  
Strong, D.D., of Oak Park, Ill., the  
deputation sent abroad by the American  
Board to South and East Africa. The  
body of Mrs. Sydney Strong, who died  
in Naples of heart failure just before  
the steamer sailed, was also aboard.  
The deputation was warmly received by  
representatives of the British Govern-  
ment in London and South Africa.

Other passengers on the Lahn were  
Countess Eugenie Bertinotti de Castella-  
magna, Mrs. Francesca Bonini, Rev. J. K.  
Brown, Rev. T. S. Doolittle, Dr. W.  
A. Farnsworth and Friedrich C. Rie-  
ger, German Consul at St. Louis.

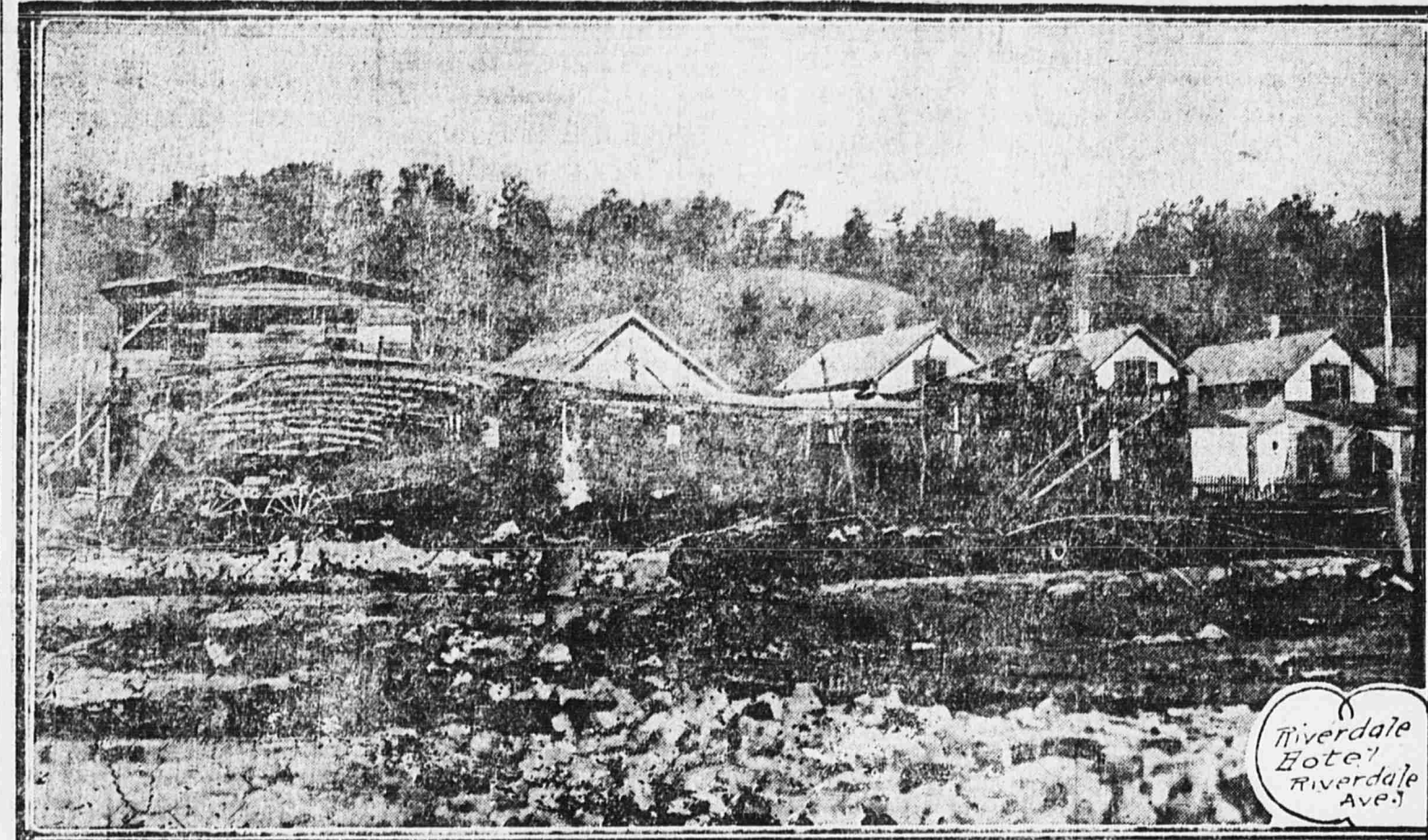
### HUNDREDS SAW THEM FALL.

One Painter Fatally Hurt and An-  
other Injured.

NEWARK, Oct. 28.—In the sight of  
hundreds who were watching "Steeples  
and Yards" at work gliding the dome  
of the Third Presbyterian Church, 200  
feet from the ground, two men who  
were painting the front of the church  
suddenly fell to the sidewalk, a  
distance of twenty feet, one of the fast-  
est and the most startling accidents  
seen here.

The men were George Bachelier, fifty years  
old, of No. 12 West street, and George  
Bachelier, thirty-two years old, of No.  
14 West street. Bachelier's injuries  
were serious, and he is now in St.  
John's Hospital. Both men were taken to St.  
John's Hospital.

## RUINS THAT RESULTED FROM THE DISASTROUS FIRE IN KINGSBRIDGE—PHOTOGRAPHED TO-DAY FOR THE EVENING WORLD.



## HAMBURG SHIP BEATS STORM

Kronprinz Wilhelm Arrives in  
Port Bearing the Scars of a  
Hurricane Which Assailed  
Her on Passage.

The Kronprinz Wilhelm, of the Ham-  
burg-American line, arrived in New York  
to-day bearing the scars of a voyage  
during which hurricanes raged day and  
night. Of her great list of passengers  
there were scarcely a dozen who had not  
suffered severely, and the hospital was  
filled to its capacity with sick and in-  
jured. Among the injured were two men  
who will probably die. They are both  
members of the crew and were terribly  
injured while attempting to repair a  
damaged spar.

On Oct. 25 the great ship was pounded  
unmercifully by tremendous seas. The  
great masses of water that poured over  
the ship broke in the windows of the  
cabin, shattered stationary fittings on  
the decks and created havoc in the rig-  
ging.

### Ship Carpenter a Hero.

Toward evening it was discovered  
that the fastening of the main signal  
light on the foremast had been broken.  
It was necessary that this light should  
be fixed immediately, and Capt. Klemm  
called upon Henry Loehbauer, the ship's  
carpenter, to go aloft and repair the  
damaged fastenings. Loehbauer took his  
life in his hands when he went aloft,  
as the sea was breaking over the pilot-  
house, sending great surges of spray up  
into the rigging.

The carpenter had no sooner got a  
footing when a mammoth wave broke  
over the ship with a tremendous shock,  
over the ship with tremendous shock and  
at work on. He fell upon his back on  
the ribbed top of the pilot house. Capt.  
Klemm heard the fall of the body and  
rushed out to the rescue.

He saw that Loehbauer was in imme-  
diate danger of being washed off the  
pilot-house at every dip of the bow.  
The seas were sweeping across the ship  
from stem to stern. The captain saw  
there was but one chance in three of  
saving the man, and the man was  
died that chance would put his life in  
immediate peril.

### Call for Volunteers.

A call was made for volunteers and  
nearly every member of the crew re-  
sponded. Capt. Klemm selected Wil-  
liam Moresch, a French able seaman.  
Twenty members of the crew succeeded  
in reaching the top of the pilot house.  
Moresch was the first to reach the top.  
He made his fourth attempt in  
a momentary lull and succeeded in  
reaching the top of the pilot house.  
Moresch was bound Loehbauer to him  
and attempted to carry him down the  
ladder.

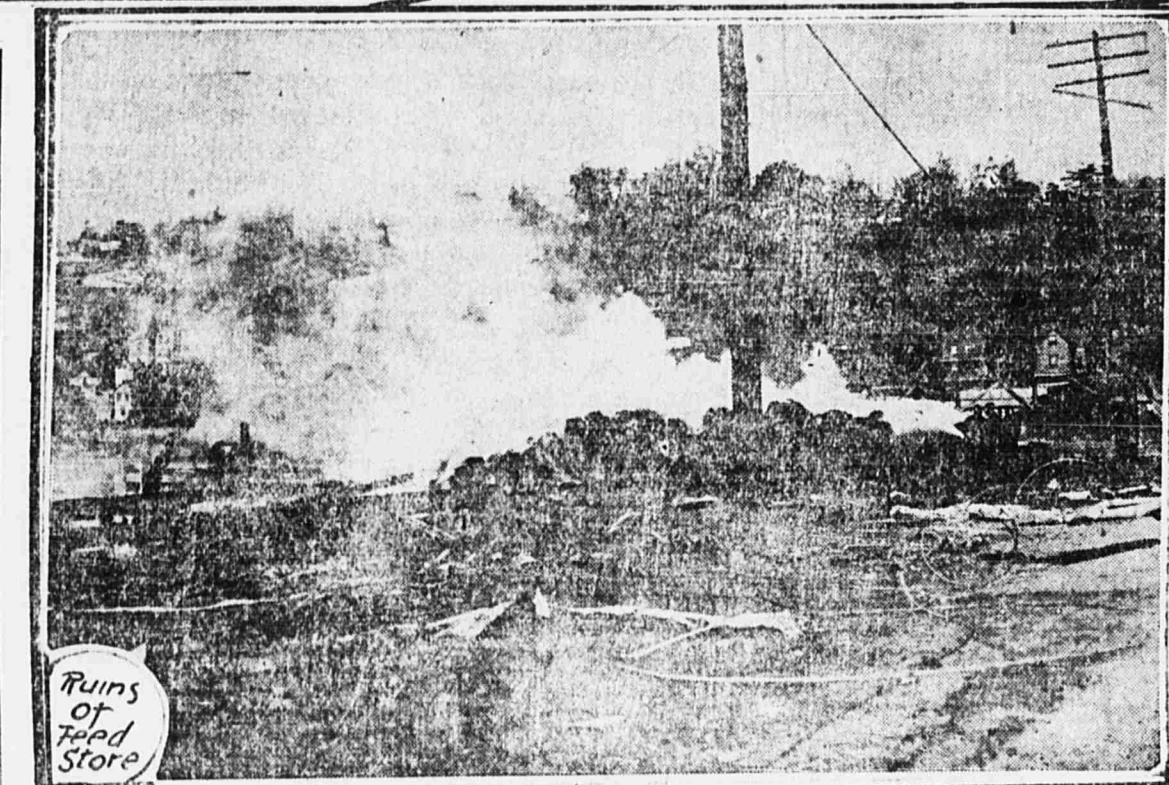
He had only reached the edge of the  
pilot house when a wave broke over  
the two men to the deck, where they fell  
heavily upon a mass of iron. Then  
the difficulty they were taken to the  
hospital.

The ship's surgeon found that Loeh-  
bauer had three ribs fractured, one leg  
broken in two places, his skull fractured  
and was suffering from internal injuries.  
Moresch was terribly cut and bruised.  
Two fingers had been torn completely  
from his right hand and he was suffer-  
ing from contusions of the brain.  
When the report of the heroism of the  
two men reached the first cabin a sub-  
scription was started and nearly \$100  
was collected. Mrs. Robert Golet, who  
with her son Robert, was returning to  
New York to arrange for the marriage  
of Miss May Golet to the Duke of Rox-  
burgh, contributed \$200 to aid the  
wounded seamen.

### Roughest Voyage of Life.

Capt. Klemm said that the voyage  
was the roughest in his experience of  
thirty years on the sea. Notwithstand-  
ing the terrific weather, however, the  
ship was in constant communication  
with the shore by means of the  
wireless telegraph. At the time she left  
Cherbourg until she arrived off Sandy Hook.

On the 24th she exchanged wireless  
messages with the Minnesota and  
Vanderland on the 25th with the Ar-  
mor and Kaiser Wilhelm II. On the  
25th with the Augusta Victoria and Bre-  
tagne, and on the 26th with the Sax-  
onia, Imbria and Kronland. The  
Kronprinz encountered six snowstorms  
on the voyage. Among the passengers  
who rejoiced to reach the brave Mne  
Gadski, who will open an American en-  
tertainment in Philadelphia. The  
Motti, the musical director; Jose Yves  
Lamantour, Mexican Minister of Fi-  
nance; and his wife, Mrs. Miguel  
de Yturbe, Mrs. Cadwallader Jones  
and Miss Beatrice Jones, General Consul  
Thom de Passeroff, Benjamin K.  
Hotchkiss, Mrs. Ogden Jones, L. Seton  
Lindsay, Fred Ritschi, German Consul  
at Philadelphia, Prof. W. W. Brown,  
verland and Baron Werner Cherno.



## M'CLELLAN TALKS TO MARKETMEN

In Speech at Wallabout Market  
He Promises, if Elected, He  
Will Redress Any Just Griev-  
ance of Dealers.

### Charges of Tammany Frauds in Brooklyn Absurd, He Says.

Frank Harvey Field, Chairman of the  
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Col. George B. McClellan made a  
speech to-day at Wallabout Market at  
the noon meeting held in the market  
district. He told the marketmen what  
he would do if elected Mayor. He said:  
"I have a firm conviction that the  
business in which you are engaged is of  
great public interest, that upon your  
prosperity depends in no small degree  
the welfare of a large number of your  
fellow citizens, the consumers of the  
products which you sell. Any narrow  
or migratory policy, therefore, in deal-  
ing with the marketmen of this city  
would do an injury not to them alone,  
but to vast numbers of those whom  
these markets supply chiefly with the  
necessities of life.

"Burdening unnecessarily imposed upon  
your business which will have the effect  
of limiting your reasonable profits will  
only be temporarily borne by yourselves  
and will ultimately be transferred to  
the shoulders of your purchasers. One  
who has the power should, therefore,  
hesitate before recommending needless  
restrictions upon your market traffic  
lest they result in injury to the public.

"If I am elected Mayor of New York  
I promise you, gentlemen, that I will  
gladly listen to any proposition from  
you which may tend to improve the  
utility of markets or facilitate their  
business, and if I can redress any just  
grievances you may have I shall be  
happy to do so; that I shall endeavor,  
so far as my influence goes, to be the  
means of making the public markets

### of New York more serviceable to the interests of the consumers, on the theory that whatever is beneficial to a large body of the citizens is productive of the contentment and happiness of the city.

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Westchester Sheriff and Dis-  
trict-Attorney Visit Kirwin's  
Hotel, but Alleged Proprietor,  
New York Gambler, Had Fled.

(Special to The Evening World.)

WHITE PLAINS, Oct. 28.—The ex-  
posure in the New York papers of a  
pool-room at Kirwin's Hotel, in Upper  
Tuckahoe, which was patronized by  
hundreds of New York sports who role  
there on Huckleberry trolley cars,  
caused Sheriff Muller and District-At-  
torney Young to raid the hotel to-day  
and drive the gamblers away.

The pool-room has been in operation  
for four weeks and the man with the  
"roll" it is said, is a rich New York  
gambler. Evidently the proprietor had  
been "tipped" because when the county  
officials arrived at the hotel all the  
gambling paraphernalia had been re-  
moved and the only thing that District-  
Attorney Young could find was a tele-  
graph wire fastened to a table.

But there was a panic in the place  
when the raid was made and many  
persons jumped out of the windows and  
fled through the doors as they feared  
they would be arrested. District-At-  
torney Young warned the proprietor of  
the hotel that gambling must cease in  
Tuckahoe, but he made no arrests.

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